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Busy Session Finished By Parliament

London — (AP) — Parliament adjourned for the summer recess today, after a notable session that saw Britain change kings and plunge into the world armament race.

Throughout the session Parliament and government faced a constant threat of war, endeavoring to keep the Spanish civil conflict from spreading to the rest of Europe.

It approved a five-year $7,500,000,000 armament program and dealt with the constitutional crisis created by the abdication of former King Edward VIII.

Members Reassured

Adjournment followed the reassuring disclosure by Viscount Cranborne, under-secretary for foreign affairs, that Italy had renewed her pledge to Great Britain to respect the territorial integrity of civil wartorn Spain.

Lord Cranborne's statement was made during a final debate before the summer recess on the joint question of Anglo-Italian relations in the Mediterranean and the opposite plans sponsored by the two countries to achieve non-intervention in the Spanish conflict.

Italy Renews Assurance

In answer to a question from Lieut.-Comdr. Reginald Fletcher, retired naval officer and Laborite M. P. Lord Cranborne declared Italy had renewed her assurances to Britain "within the last few days."

Even as the debate waxed in Commons, members of the non-intervention subcommittee gathered for consideration of the latest British plan to keep hands off Spain—a plan observers feared might be wrecked on persistent Russian refusal to grant belligerent rights to Spanish insurgents under any circumstances.

Eden Rejects Demand

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden bluntly rejected a demand by Clement R. Attlee, leader of the Labor opposition, that Parliament be reconvened if the question arose of granting the Spanish insurgents belligerent rights.

"It is quite impossible for the government to give that pledge at the present time," Eden answered.

He added, however, that the government foresaw "no revolutionary change in policy" and that he, personally, doubted that the Spanish situation would undergo any sudden change.

Averages

By The Associated Press

STOCKS

	30 Indus.	15 Rails	15 Util.	60 Stks
Today, 1 p. m.	96.7	39.3	44.3	69.0
Previous day	96.3	39.1	44.0	68.7
Month ago	91.0	38.2	40.9	65.1
Year ago	83.9	39.1	52.0	67.7

BONDS

	20 Rails	10 Indus.	10 Util.	For.
Today, 1 p. m.	92.1	102.9	98.1	73.0
Previous day	92.1	102.9	98.1	73.0
Month ago	92.2	102.5	96.4	72.5
Year ago	93.9	103.5	102.6	69.5

Chicago Board of Trade

	Previous Close	Open	Close
WHEAT—			
May	120⅝	120¼	121¼
Sept	117	117⅛	117⅞
Dec	119	118⅝	119⅛
CORN—			
May	71⅝	71⅝	70⅝
Sept	93⅝	93	91
Dec	70	70	68⅞
OATS—			
May	33¾	33¼	33½
Sept	29⅞	29¼	29⅝
Dec	31⅝	31¼	31⅝

Star's Home Burglarized

Los Angeles — (AP) — Burglars broke into the palatial home of Gary Cooper, film star, and stole jewelry valued in excess of $18,000 early today. The burglary was committed while Cooper and his wife, the former Veronica Balfe, were out visiting friends.

Counts were made of the quills of two porcupines, a male and a female, and the results were 36,450 and 24,000 quills respectively, or an average of about 30,000.

THE PERILS OF PERSONAL POWER

Fears for Freedom of Press Under Wages-and-Hours Measure

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT

My Dear Mr. President:

DOES the Black-Connery bill, as it came to Congress, with your endorsement, attempt to set up a censorship over the press? And does it also attack the independence of the radio? These questions can best be answered by consulting the "definitions" in the bill.

We have seen that the Board's regulatory power extends to any employer who produces "goods, merchandise, or articles of trade **of any character,**" and sells them in interstate commerce. Obviously, newspapers and magazines are "goods," just as much as books, shoes or steel rails are "goods." And certainly they fall under the definition of "merchandise or articles of trade of any character." Also, they are merchandise transported in interstate commerce.

Thus every regulatory power over wages and hours, i.e., over labor costs, which the Board may exercise as to other industries, it may also exercise over the press. And it may well be asked what newspaper publisher, who knew that he could be singled out by the Board, and ordered to increase his wages and decrease his hours, would feel free and comfortable in criticizing the administration.

What would become of the independence of the American press, if a President, seeking re-election, could descend on any hostile publisher and raise his fixed charges to a point that would make his property or properties less profitable, or perhaps indeed drive him to the wall?

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HERE, Mr. President, under the attractive guise of a bill to promote equity as between employers and employees, your bill sets up an indirect but nevertheless serviceable censorship over newspapers and magazines.

This is the more true since, under Part I, Section 12, the bill provides heavy fines and long terms of imprisonment for a publisher or any other employer, who, during a strike, takes on new employees at higher wages than the strikers received. In view of the hazards of going to work in a struck plant, as recently demonstrated in various places, it might be hard, if not impossible, for a publisher to secure an adequate number of employees, in any "struck" department or division, without paying a premium. So that it would seem that all the Board would have to do, in order to penalize or close down a particular newspaper, would be to induce, say Mr. John L. Lewis or Mr. Heywood Broun to call a strike in an essential division of its plant.

Moreover, the bill provides that, during a strike, no employer, on pain of fine and imprisonment, may employ any person temporarily, except to prevent irreparable damage, or to maintain an essential public service. And it provides, in Part III, Section 11, that no one may move, or help to move, newspapers or magazines across state lines, which have been produced under conditions forbidden by the Board.

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THAT the bill contemplates control of the radio, the telegraph and the telephone, as well as the press, seems evident when we read two sections, Part I, Section 2, defining interstate commerce:

> Interstate commerce means trade, commerce, transportation, transmission or communication among the several states, or between a state and any place outside thereof and within the District of Columbia. (P.)

These words, **transmission and communication** would certainly not be used without ramification if the bill were not meant to affect the radio industry.

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APOLOGISTS for the administration have denied that your original bill authorized a minimum wage higher than $1,500 a year or $.80 an hour. And it has been argued that setting up such a wage would not affect the labor charges in the publishing and radio industries.

But the more common and, I think, reasonable view is that the Board has full discretionary power over wages and hours. For the bill specifically empowers the Board to raise up or down any "established" wage standard! An able commentator recently said: "Under the original bill the Board could have fixed any standard of wages and hours it saw fit in any industry." That, I think, is undoubtedly the intention of the original draft.

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MOREOVER, if the original draft was not meant to regulate wages and hours for radio and other communication and transmission industries, why are the words **"transmission or communication"** used in the sections defining the industries which the Board may regulate?

Section 15, of Part IV, entitled "Other Labor Standard Orders," provides that, if the Board determines that a labor standard (wages and hours) "leads, or tends to lead, to labor disputes directly burdening or obstructing interstate commerce, or the free flow of interstate commerce," it may step in and fix wages and hours. This applies equally to the radio and the press.

The same section provides that, when a labor standard is such that it "affects the movement of goods or the performance of services in interstate commerce," or "threatens or interferes with the orderly marketing of goods in interstate commerce," the Board may again intervene.

What do these provisions mean? Among other things, they mean that Mr. John L. Lewis or Mr. Heywood Broun should call, or even threaten to call, a strike, in a radio or a telegraph or telephone company, you, Mr. President, through your Board, could raise the labor costs of that company. Until now, few people have been in case where a company employed a somewhat critical commentator, like Mr. Boake Carter, or put on the air a challenging voice, like that of Senator Wheeler. On the other hand, you could exempt from regulation a company whose commentator was friendly to the administration.

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IT IS TRUE that an employer could appeal from the Board's decision to the Federal courts. But, if the amended Judiciary Reorganization bill went through, the President, according to Justice Clark, could see to it that the case came before a judge selected for the purpose.

Rumors have been current, Mr. President—many of them have appeared in print—to the effect that you have, for some time, intended to "do something about the press and something about the radio." It has been said that, incensed by attacks during the 1936 campaign, you would, sooner or later, move to set up some kind of press and radio censorship.

Until now, few people have been inclined to credit these rumors, though at times they have been sustained by some evidence. For, while press and radio censorship exists in Italy, Germany and Russia, and in other countries where the people are held in the grip of reactionary personal government, it is hard for anyone to imagine that in this country such a wrong against a free government and a free culture could be contemplated by any American, high or low. Yet in this bill, drafted by your agents and approved by yourself, the predicted censorship makes its appearance.

Sincerely yours,

Gifford Pinchot

To the Reader:

In this fifth instalment of an open letter to the President of the United States by Amos Pinchot, the well-known liberal lawyer and former supporter of Mr. Roosevelt, who in the Black-Connery bill on maximum hours and minimum wages originally drafted a threat to the freedom of the press and of radio. In his letter, Mr. Pinchot is outlining the dangers of fascism which he believes were found in the original drafts of this measure and two other administration-supported bills—the Natywnal Power reorganization plan, and the bill for reorganizing the executive branch of the government.

Surgeons Put Stop To Man's 'Shrinking'

Minneapolis — (AP) — Hans Nelson, who shrank 10 inches in height in five years, today credited a gland operation with saving his life and putting him "on top of the world."

He's gaining strength, he said, eating "anything," taking automobile trips and enjoying life. He's pleased also to know his case has aided others so afflicted.

Two years ago surgeons removed half of his parathyroid glands in an effort to stop the de-calcification of his bones that reduced his stature. He had been shrinking for 15 years until he was a stooped man of five feet.

Nelson still is five feet tall, but said he was growing stronger "every day" and looking forward to the time when he will be even more active.

"As far as my life was concerned," Nelson said of his operation, "I figured I was gone. I made a try, though, and I'm glad of it. This has been the most wonderful summer since I have been sick."

Police Chiefs Score Critical Movies

New York — (AP) — Police of New York State today were organized to protect themselves against movies portraying cops and detectives as bunglers and "stooges."

The New York State Association of Police Chiefs adopted a resolution condemning such "adverse" portrayals, and providing for a three-man committee to initiate a campaign to teach film and stage producers — and incidentally the public — how police operate. The committee plans to enlist state movie boards in their cause.

Officers of the association for the coming year will be: Chief of Police Lacey C. Abel of Binghamton, president; Chief Richard W. Norris of Geneva, secretary-treasurer; Chief Morris J. Keller of Rochester, first vicepresident; Chief George H. Culver of Glens Falls, second vicepresident; Deputy Chief Inspector John J. O'Connell of New York, third vicepresident.

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Saturday, July 31

OF A NEW STORE
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A Complete Line of Women and Men's Furnishings and Shoes

All New Stock!
Splendid Values Await You

Old and New Customers Welcome

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These are the shoes you need for sport, dress and business wear! Be wise, and make this sale your excuse for buying 2 or 3 pairs.

Wing Tips — White Bucko
Plain Toes — Crepe Soles
Perforates — Calfskin

LIBERTY

French Wreck Kills 27

Villeneuve St. Georges, France— (AP)— The number of dead and injured mounted today as rescue workers labored to free passengers from the twisted wreckage of the crack Paris-St. Etienne Express which was derailed only a short distance from this suburban Paris station.

An official announcement placed the known dead at 27 and the injured at 50 while firemen and soldiers reported more bodies were still under the splintered remains of a wooden passenger coach.

After a night-long investigation, officials decided a confusion of railroad orders had caused the derailment. Paris-Lyons-Marseille Railway employes said they were notified the train was approaching a switch junction and prepared to switch it to the St. Etienne branch.

Just before the locomotive hit the switch, they said, the Paris dispatcher countermanded the first order, saying he had mistaken the identity of the train. The switch was actually being changed back when the engine crossed it.

The train hit by the open switch at 11:15 Thursday night, shortly after passing the local station nine miles out from Paris. The force of the impact hurled the locomotive into the air, turning it completely around.

President May Pay Hyde Park Visit

Washington — (AP) — President Roosevelt may spend two or three days at his Hyde Park, N. Y., home next week, depending on the congressional situation.

At his press conference today the President would not comment on a possible adjournment date.

He added he would remain within three hours distance of the capital and, in any event, return to the White House by Sunday noon.

Touching briefly on other subjects, the President told newsmen he believed he had received his requested ruling from the Department of Justice on whether he must fill the Supreme Court vacancy before Congress adjourns.

Until he had read it, however, he said he would not disclose its contents.

Boy's Ear Sewed Back

St. Louis — (AP) — Eleven-year-old Ben Kozak's left ear, sheared off by the wheel of an automobile trailer he slept in a parking lot, is practically as good as new. The ear was found by an ambulance driver after the boy was taken to a hospital. Physicians sewed it back in place.

Professor Succumbs

Berkeley, Calif.—(AP)— Dr. Walter Goodnow Everett, 76, professor emeritus of philosophy and once acting president of Brown University, died Thursday night.

Price Cuts Forced, Says Oil Company

Philadelphia — (AP) — Testimony that the Sun Oil Company was forced to reduce its gasoline price to meet the price cuts of other companies, was on the record today of a commission appointed by the Legislature to determine whether the oil industry should be subject to regulation by the state.

J. Howard Pew, president, and Samuel B. Eckert, vicepresident of the company, told the commission competition regulated price.

Asked whether his company followed Platt's Oilgram, a trade publication, in price changes, Pew said Thursday "we do not consider any outside quoted price."

Eckert said "the public is so sensitive to price changes that a few days of an accepted price of one dealer below others will make such inroads on business that the others will be forced to cut their prices too.

"If the other dealer has a horse shoe in his glove," he added, "we give our dealer a horseshoe of equal size and weight."

Strikers Map Demands

Buffalo — (AP) — More than 1,000 striking meat packers and their employers readied today counter proposals designed to end the last of two strikes of Buffalo food handlers.

The packers were to take their demands to representatives of the strike-closed plants of the Dold, Danahy, and Hygrade companies at a conference called by Henry Winters, acting regional director of the National Labor Relations Board this afternoon.

The Rev. John P. Boland, head of New York State's new labor board, said the strikers would demand recognition of their CIO-affiliated union, exclusive collective bargaining rights, preferential hiring, minimum wage scales, a 40-hour week, seniority rights, and vacations with pay.

At the same time, the employers, he added before returning to New York City to resume his work in connection with the state board, will submit counter proposals.

Meantime, grocery prices which shot upwards when 1,000 striking truckers placed an embargo on deliveries to retail stores of butter, eggs, canned goods, flour and other staples, returned to normal as the truckers worked feverishly to deliver new stocks.

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Murphy Joins Court List

Washington —(AP)— Frank Murphy's weekend White House visit focused speculation today on the red haired, youthful Michigan Governor as a possible choice for the Supreme Court vacancy.

Senator Brown (D-Mich), a political ally of Murphy, said it was "entirely possible the vacancy would be discussed." He explained, however, he did not know the purpose of the visit.

White House officials also were silent on that point. They denied, in response to reporters' questions, that President Roosevelt and his guest would undertake "to rewrite the Wagner Labor Relations Act."

Brown said Murphy had been "much discussed" in official circles as a possible court appointee. He added that the Governor had engaged in late Senator Robinson for the vacancy created by Justice Van Devanter's retirement.

Coming Events Of Rural Interest

July 30 — Enfield Center — Valley View 4-H Girls' meeting at Miss Elizabeth Stevenson's to continue beginning sewing.

July 30—Mecklenburg—Grange ice cream social. Public invited.

July 30 — Bethel Grove — Dance at Community Hall from 9 to 1. Refreshments.

July 31—Mecklenburg—Service and Hospitality Committee of Enfield Valley Grange will hold ice cream social on Chauncey McKeegan's lawn, Mecklenburg Road, at 6 p. m. Entertainment.

Aug. 3—Newfield—Meeting of Fire Company Tuesday evening at Town Hall.

Aug. 3—East Lawn—Home Bureau meeting at 2 p. m. at home of Mrs. Fred Vorhis on Ellis Hollow Road.

STATE TODAY and Saturday
Richard Kipling's
WEE WILLIE WINKIE
SHIRLEY TEMPLE - C. AUBREY SMITH
Also Donald Duck Cartoon
And State News Events

STARTING SUNDAY
The Sequel to "All Quiet on the Western Front"
THE ROAD BACK

TODAY AT THE
Theaters

STATE — Shirley Temple in "Wee Willie Winkie," with Victor McLaglen.

STRAND — "Forlorn River," with Larry Crabbe and June Martel.

WILLARD STRAIGHT—On stage, five one-act plays.

Attendance Leaps At Campsites

Albany—(AP)—New York officials foresaw today a record attendance at the state's 30 free public campsites this year as the first seven weeks' report showed an 8 per cent increase over the same period in 1936.

At the same time, Conservation Commissioner Lithgow Osborne said that 2,000 campers were turned away from 12 sites because of lack of available space.

"If this trend continues," he asserted, "we look forward to the largest attendance since the campsites were opened some years ago."

The total mid-day attendance at the 30 campsites from Memorial Day, May 30, to last July 18 was 276,229 as compared with 220,414 a year ago.

The largest attendance was noted at sites at Fish Creek and those in Lake George, the battleground and Hearthstone, while large increases were reported at the enlarged recreation centers at Lake Eaton, North Lake and Caroga Lake.

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Rolled Shoulder Roast Veal 23c lb.
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BROILERS . . . . . lb. 28c
FRYERS . . . . . lb. 30c
ROASTERS . . . . lb. 32c
Small FOWLS . . . . . lb. 24c
Heavy FOWLS . . . . . lb. 28c

Brisket of Corned Beef 24c lb.
Arpeako Frankfurts Skinless 32c lb.
Loin Roast Pork 3 lb. average 28c lb.

Beechnut Coffee . . . . lb. 31c
Colonial Butter, 2 lb. Roll . 72c
Carnation Milk . 3 Tall Cans 25c
Peter Pan Peanut Butter Jar 23c
Heinz Tomato Juice 3 Cans 25c
1 Large & 1 Medium Rinso . . Both for 22c
Ferndell Assorted Preserves 4 30c jars $1
1 Lipton's ORANGE PEKOE TEA 2 Iced Tea Glasses 43c

Fresh Blackberry PIES 23c each
Bran Muffins . . . doz. 15c
Golden Cake Squares Chocolate Icing 25c doz.
Roast Beef Rolls, doz. 15c
Fruited Coffee Rings 25c each
Danish Pastry 30c Doz.
Streussel Buns 25c Doz.

Locally Grown Golden Bantam Corn 20c doz.
GREEN LIMA BEANS . . . . . 2 lbs. 23c
Ripe Georgia Peaches . 2 Qts. 39c
EGG PLANT . . . . . 2 for 19c
Striped Georgia Watermelons each 39c
LEMONS . . . . . doz. 39c
Ripe Delaware Cantaloupes 3 for 25c
Cooking Onions 4 lbs. 19c
Red Ripe Tomatoes 4 lbs. 19c

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